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For: DYNAMIC-PRESSURE BEARING AND SPINDLE MOTOR COMPRISING THE SAME

LETTER UNDER 37 CFR 1.312 AND REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION

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Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed October 2, 2003.

The Notice of Allowability indicates that claims 1-6 have been allowed. This is incorrect. The total allowed claims should read 1-7. Claim 7 was added in the Amendment filed August 7, 2003.

It is respectfully requested that a Supplemental Notice of Allowability be mailed correcting this error and that the records of the Patent Office be corrected to ensure that the deed of Letters Patent will be printed correctly.

Respectfully submitted,

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